

Listing of Claims:

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Please cancel claim 2.

Please amend claims 1, and 3-8 as indicated below:

1. (Currently Amended) A personal data management apparatus ~~[[,]] which manages the personal data of multiple individuals using a database file containing multiple personal data records corresponding to said individuals with identification codes for identification of said personal data records,~~ **for managing multiple personal data records, each of which contains a unique identification code for identifying an individual data, the apparatus** comprising:

a database file storage section ~~which is capable of containing the database file;~~ **for storing personal data records;**

a communication control section **for establishing a communication connection in response to an incoming call signal via a telephone line from a caller, and** ~~which transmits and receives signals via a communication circuit;~~ **for controlling signals via the communication connection;**

a guidance message control section, ~~which stores multiple guidance messages, which makes a selection from the stored multiple guidance messages in~~

~~response to a signal received by the communication control section, and which passes the selected message as a signal for transmission to the communication control section, for sending out a guidance message via the communication connection which prompts the caller to input his identification code; and,~~

~~a data processing section which executes prescribed processes, based on an identification code received as said signal from the communication control section for storing received identification codes, comparing the identification code from the caller with each of the identification codes stored to decide whether or not the former identification code is identical with one of the latter identification codes; and then deleting a personal data record for the caller from the database when the former identification code is not identical with any of the latter identification codes.~~

2.. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) A personal data management apparatus [[;]] according to claim 1, **further** comprising an output section which is capable of outputting the ~~database file~~ **personal data records** processed by the data processing section in a mailing label format including said **the** identification code of said **the** personal data record.

4. (Currently Amended) A personal data management apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said **the** data processing section comprises:

an identification code storage section which stores the identification code received by the communication control section; and,

a transmission blocking section which prevents only the personal data records corresponding to the identification codes stored in said the identification code storage section from being transmitted to the output section.

5. (Currently Amended) A personal data management method comprising ~~the steps of:~~

storing beforehand multiple personal data records in a database, each of which contains a unique identification code for identifying an individual data, ~~in a database ;~~

establishing a communication connection in response to an incoming call signal through a telephone line from a caller;

outputting a guidance message via the established communication connection for prompting the caller to input ~~of an~~ his identification code;

receiving the identification code sent via the established communication connection;

storing the received identification code in a reception code memory where all of identification codes so far received have been stored;

and,

comparing the identification code from the caller with each of the identification codes in the reception code memory to decide whether or not the

former identification code is identical with one of the latter identification codes:
and

deleting a personal data record for the caller from the database when
the former identification code is not identical with any of the latter identification
codes ~~outputting only the personal data records whose identification codes are not~~
~~included in said reception code memory.~~

6. (Currently Amended) A personal data management method according to claim 5, **further** ~~comprising the step of deleting the personal data record, whose identification code is identical with the identification code sent via the established communication connection, from said database~~ outputting only the personal data records whose identifications are not included in the reception code memory.

7. (Currently Amended) A personal data management method according to claim 5, wherein the data records whose identification codes are included in the reception code memory are excluded ~~at the outputting time, by referring to the reception code memory~~ in outputting the data records.

8. (Currently Amended) A personal data management method according to claim 5, wherein the personal data records are output in a mailing label format which includes said the identification code.